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"METHOD FOR THE FABRICATION OF CONTACTS IN AN
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Case Name: MERCHANT 33-3-3

Dear Sir:

Below is our fee calculation for the above-identified patent application:

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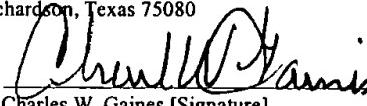
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL		Attorney Docket No.: MERCHANT 33-3-3
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<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Specification <u>24</u> total pages (preferred arrangement set forth below) -Descriptive title of the Invention -Cross References to Related Applications -Statement Regarding Fed Sponsored R & D -Reference to Microfiche Appendix -Background of the Invention -Brief Summary of the Invention -Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) -Detailed Description -Claim(s) -Abstract of the Disclosure</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) <u>5</u> total pages</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Unsigned Oath or Declaration <u>6</u> total pages <input type="checkbox"/> a. Newly executed (original or copy) <input type="checkbox"/> b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed) <input type="checkbox"/> DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d) and 1.33(b).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5. Incorporated By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)</p> <p>17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a _____ Continuation, _____ Divisional, _____ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application serial no. _____, filed on _____.</p> <p>18. Correspondence Address Address all future communications: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record)</p> <p>Charles W. Gaines HITT CHWANG & GAINES, P.C. 225 University Plaza 275 West Campbell Road Richardson, Texas 75080  Charles W. Gaines [Signature] Registration No. 36,804</p> <p>Date <u>June 5, 1998</u></p> <p>Address of signatory:</p> <p>HITT CHWANG & GAINES, P.C. 225 University Plaza 275 West Campbell Road Richardson, Texas 75080 (972) 480-8800 Fax: (972) 480-8865</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> inventor(s) <input type="checkbox"/> filed under 1.34(a) <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of complete interest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record</p>		